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PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE MORGANZA, LOUISIANA

Annual Financial Report Year Ended December 31, 2008

A Component Unit of the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Board of Commissioners
Fire Protection District No. 2 of the
Parish of Pointe Coupee
Morganza, Louisiana

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2 OF THE PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE, LOUISIANA, (the "District"), a component unit of the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2008, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of management of the Fire Protection District No. 2 of th Parish of Pointe Coupee, Louisiana. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and with provisions of Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and the provisions of the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide. Those standards and the Guide require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the basic financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

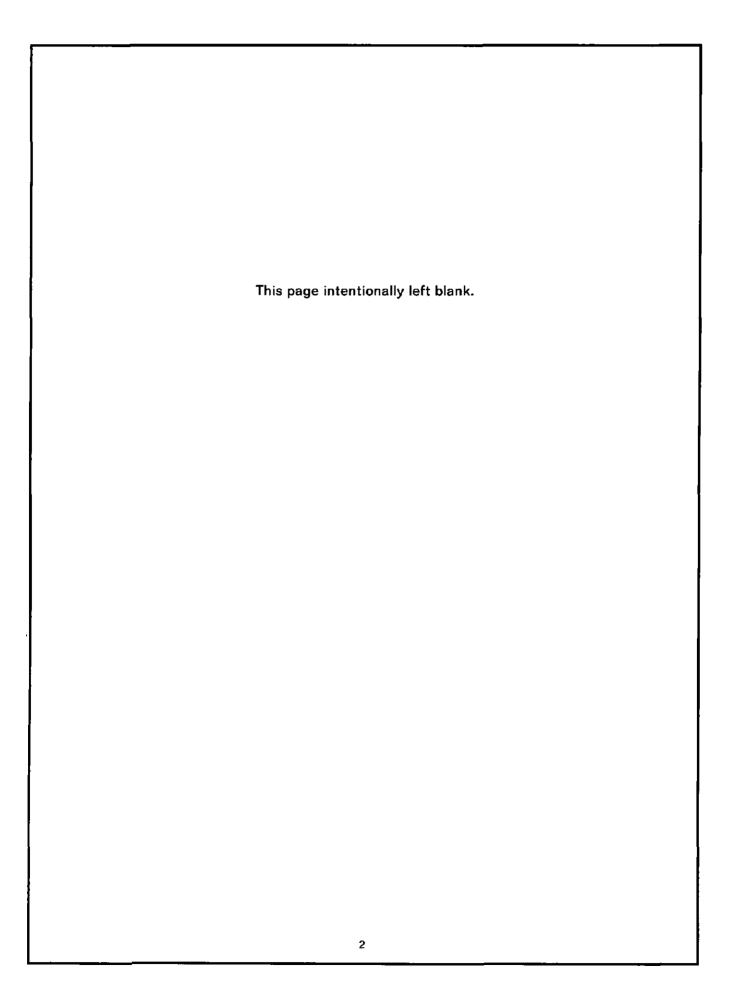
In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the District as of December 31, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, I have also issued a report dated May 18, 2009, on my consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of my audit.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis on pages 4 through 8, budgetary comparison information on page 25, and schedule of taxable valuations on page 29, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. I have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, I did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

George F. Delaune, CPA

May 18, 2009



Required Supplementary Information

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is a required component of financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The MD&A is an anlysis of the financial condition and operating results of the District written by management. It introduces the basic financial statements and notes. It introduces the basic financial statements and notes. The MD&A should provide an objective and easily readable analysis of the District's financial activities based on currently known facts, decisions, or conditions.

Fire Protection District No. 2 of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, Louisiana

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INTRODUCTION

This annual report consists of -

- Our independent auditor's report on the financial statements in which he rendered an unqualified opinion.
- Management's discussion and analysis which provides in plain language an overview of our financial activities for the year.
- ♦ The basic financial statements which consists of government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements, and the notes to those financial statements.
- The comparison of actual operations for the year compared to the budget.
- ♦ A schedule of taxable property valuations for the District which indicates the economic growth in the District since inception of the District in 1982.
- ♦ Our independent auditor's report on the District's compliance with laws and regulations and how management applied internal controls over its financial operations. The result of his tests and observations did not indicate any violations that he considered to be in noncompliance or conditions that required to be disclosed that could affect our operations.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Fire Protection District No. 2 of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, Louisiana, we are pleased to provide an overview of our financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2008. The intended purpose of the Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is to provide an introduction to the basic financial statements and notes, that provides an objective and easy to read analysis of our financial activities based on currently known facts, decisions, and conditions, by providing an easily readable summary of operating results and reasons for changes, which will help to determine if our financial position improved or deteriorated over the past year. This report addresses current operational activities the sources, uses, and changes in resources, adherence to budget, service levels, limitations significant economic factors, and the status of infrastructure and its effects on our debt and operation. When referring to prior years data in this analysis we will be drawing upon information from last years' audited financial report.

Financial Highlights

- The District's net assets increased by \$161,489 from \$925,279 in 2007 to \$1,086,768 in 2008.
- Cash and investments increased by \$21,048 for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Overview of the Basic Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements which are comprised of four components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, (3) notes to the financial statements, and (4) other required supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The Government-Wide Financial Statements, presented on pages 10 and 11, are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The Statement of Net Assets presents information on all of the District's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the District's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

The District's Government-wide Financial Statements distinguish functions that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (<u>business-type activities</u>). The District's sole operation of fire protection is classified as governmental activities.

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The District has only one fund which is categorized as a governmental fund.

Governmental Funds. Governmental funds, presented on pages 13 thru 15, are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term effect of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The District adopts an annual appropriated budget. A budgetary comparison schedule has been provided for the District's operations to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes, presented on pages 16 thru 22, provide additional narrative and tabular information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Other Information

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information concerning the District's budgetary control, on page 25. A tabulation of taxable property valuations is presented on page 29 as supplementary information to assist the reader in understanding the economic growth of the District and the effect it has on operations and fire protection ratings.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of the District's financial position. At the end of the most recent year, the assets of the District exceeded its liabilities by \$1,086,768.

The District's net assets are mainly composed of \$482,394 (37.45%) in cash and investments and \$701,337 (54.45%) investment in capital assets (land, buildings, vehicles and equipment, etc.). The District uses these capital assets to provide fire protection services to residents and businesses that encompasses the area from Morganza Spillway Control Structure to Pointe Coupee Central School to Ravenswood; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the District's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources because the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities. The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets, \$582,279, may be used to meet the District's future operations

NET ASSETS

	2008	2007	% Change
Current and other assets	\$ 586,587	\$ 558,983	4.94%
Capital assets	701,337	610,060	14.96%
Total assets	1,287,924	1,169,043	10.17%
Current and other liabilities	4,308	4,114	4.72%
Capital lease obligations	196,848	239,649	-17.86%
Total liabilities	201,156	243,763	-17.48%
Net assets -			
Invested in capital assets	504,489	370,411	36.20%
Unrestricted	582,279	554,869	4.94%
Total net assets	\$ 1,086,768	\$ 925,280	17.45%

The District's total revenues increased by 72.80% from \$261,512 in 2007 to \$451,881 in 2008 primarily due to a contribution of a commercial pumper from the Village of Morganza in the amount of \$173,040. Total expenses increased by 46.33% from \$72,833 in 2007 to \$106,579 in 2008 primarily from an increase in depreciation of capital assets.

CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	 2008	 2007	% Change
Revenues:		 	
Taxes	\$ 259,413	\$ 251,998	2.94%
Intergovernmental revenues	8,219	181,123	-95.46%
Interest earned and other revenues	23,315	18,760	24.28%
Total revenues	 290,947	451,881	-35.61%
Expenses:			
Operating	68,577	51,619	32.85%
Depreciation	60,881	54,960	10.77%
Total expenses	 129,458	106,579	21.47%
Change in net assets	\$ 161,489	\$ 345,302	-53.23%

GOVERNMENTAL FUND FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, the District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

The focus of the District's governmental fund is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of resources that are available for spending. Such information is useful in assessing the District's financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the year.

As a measure of the District's liquidity, it may be useful to compare fund balance to total expenditures. Fund balance represents 220.94% of total fund expenditures.

The fund balance of the District increased by \$27,410 during the current year. The key factor in this change was the acquisition of a commercial pumper through a capital lease.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

The District's annual budget is the legally adopted expenditure control document of the District. A budgetary comparison statement is required and can be found on page 25. This statement compares the original adopted budget, the budget if amended throughout the year, and the actual expenditures prepared on a budgetary basis. The District did not amend its budget during the year.

Actual revenues of \$290,947, on a budgetary basis, exceeded budgeted revenues of \$268,735 by \$22,212 while budgeted expenditures of \$275,054 exceeded budgetary basis actual expenditures of \$263,537 by \$11,517.

CAPITAL ASSETS

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the District had \$701,337 and \$610,0596, respectively, invested in a broad range of capital assets, including buildings, vehicles, and equipment. Further detail on capital assets is presented in Note 5 on page 21.

LONG-TERM DEBT

At the end of the year, the District had one capital lease obligation of \$196,847. Further information on long-term debt is presented in Note 6 on page 21.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

The District serves a population estimated at 1,700. Although the District does not have paid firefighters, through the efforts of approximately 35 volunteers, the District has attained a IRC in Rating of 7 and a IRC Out Rating of 9, which means that insurance rates for the taxpayers in the District were lowered due mainly to acquisitions and improvements to equipment and the efforts of the volunteer firemen.

Increased operating costs and new requirements mandated by the State Fire Marshall were considered in preparing the District's budget for the 2008 year. Management has projected budget operations to December 31, 2009 the end of the current tax levy. Such long range projections assist management in evaluating new acquisitions or replacements to keep the fire insurance rating at a level that will return fire protection and an economic benefit to its taxpayers.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances for all those with an interest in the District's finances. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Mark Ramagos, Commissioner for the Fire Protection District No. 2 of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, Louisiana at (225) 694-3655.

Basic Financial Statements

The Government-Wide Financial Statements, presented on pages 8 "Statement of Net Assets" and 9 "Statement of Activities", are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business. The Statement of Net Assets include capital assets and long-term debt and the Statement of Activities include depreciation as an expense of operations.

The Governmental Fund, presented on pages 11 "Balance Sheet" and 13 "Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance", are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements except that the Balance Sheet does not report capital assets or long-term debt and the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance includes capital acquisitions, annual debt service, and excludes depreciation.

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2 OF THE PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS December 31, 2008

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 218,518
Investments	263,876
Receivables -	
Ad valorem	87,763
Sales taxes	13,355
State revenue sharing	616
Accrued interest	1,390
Due from other governmental units	1,069
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation:	
Land	20,675
Buildings	112,292
Firefighting equipment and tools	67,734
Fire hydrants and water supply lines	1,451
Radios and paging equipment	9,121
Vehicles	489,403
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment	661
Total Assets	1,287,924
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	563
Amount due retirement system	3,745
Capital lease obligations	196,848
Total Liabilities	201,156
NET ASSETS	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	504,489
Unrestricted	582,279
Total Net Assets	\$ 1,086,768

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2 OF THE PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES Year Ended December 31, 2008

				Program Revenues								
	Expenses		Expenses		-	jes for vices	Gran	rating its and ibutions	Gran	pital ts and butions		Net overnmental Activities
Governmental Activities: Public safety	\$	129,458							\$	(129,458)		
Total Governmental Activities	\$	129,458	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0		(129,458)		
General Revenues: Taxes: Property tax, levied for fire protection Sales General intergovernmental revenues Interest earnings Other				_	87,530 171,883 8,219 13,015 10,300							
		Total Gen	eral Reve	nues						290,947		
		Change in	Net Ass	ets						161,489		
	Net	Assets at B	Seginning	of Year						925,279		
	Net	Assets at E	ind of Ye	аг					\$	1,086,768		

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FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2 OF THE PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE, LOUISIANA BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS December 31, 2008

		General Fund
ASSETS		
Cash	\$	218,518
Investments		263,876
Receivables -		D7 769
Ad valorem		87,763
Sales taxes		13,355
State revenue sharing		616
Accrued interest		1,390
Due from other governmental units		1,069
Total Assets	\$	586,587
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities: Accounts payable	\$	563
Amount due retirement system		3,745
Total Liabilities		4,308
Fund Balances:		
Unrestricted		582,279
Total Fund Balances		582,279
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	586,587
Reconciliation of the Statement of Net Assets of Governmental Funds to the Balance S	Sheet:	
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:		
Total fund balance per balance sheet	\$	582,279
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.		701,337
Some liabilities, including capital lease obligations, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.		(196,848)
Net assets of governmental activities	s	1,086,768
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FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2 OF THE PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

For	the	Year	Ended	December	31, 2008

	General Fund
Revenues	
Taxes -	ė 07 F20
Ad valorem	\$ 87,530
Sales	171,883
Intergovernmental revenues -	0.005
State fire insurance rebate	6,235
State revenue sharing	1,984
Miscellaneous revenues -	
Interest earned	13,015
Other	10,300
Total Revenues	290,947
Expenditures	
Current operations -	
Professional fees	9,500
Tax collector fees	3,745
Vehicle maintenance	3,896
Firefighting equipment maintenance	2,301
Radios and pagers maintenance	1,036
Building maintenance	1,192
Supplies and small tools	3,390
Utilities	4,127
Telephone	1,275
Insurance	19,089
Office and computer supplies	4,895
Capital outlays -	·
Buildings	101,614
Vehicles	52,422
Debt service -	,
Principal retirement	42,801
Interest expense	12,254
Total Expenditures	263,537
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Excess of Revenues (Expenditures)	27,410
Fund balance, beginning of year	554,869
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ <u>582,279</u>

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2 OF THE PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

For the Year Ended December 31, 2008

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities:

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

\$ 27,410
93,156
(1,878)
 42,801
\$ 161,489
\$

NOTE 1 - INTRODUCTION

On July 14, 1981, the 4th Ward Fire Protection District of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, Louisiana was re-designated Fire Protection District No. 2 of the Parish of Pointe Coupee (the "District") by a resolution of the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury under authority of Louisiana Revised Statute 40:1491. The District operates under a commission form of government and provides fire protection services to all the territory situated within the limits of Pointe Coupee Election Districts 3, as said Election District was constituted in 1981. In accordance with LRS 40:1494, the District is managed by a board of five commissioners. Two commissioners are appointed by the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury and two are appointed by the Village of Morganza. These four commissioners then appoint the fifth to act as chairperson. These five commissioners accept no compensation although per diem is allowed. The District has no employees. Labor is furnished through a intergovernmental service agreement with the local volunteer firefighters.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting and reporting policies of the District relating to the activities included in the accompanying financial statements conform to generally accepted accounting principles applicable to state and local governments. Generally accepted accounting principles for local governments include those principles prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants in the publication entitled Audits of State and Local Governmental Units and by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (when applicable). The GASB periodically updates its codification of the existing Governmental Accounting and Standards, which, along with the subsequent GASB pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations), constitutes GAAP for governmental units. The more significant accounting policies of the District are described below.

In June 1999, the GASB issued Statement No. 34 "Basic Financial Statements and Management Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments." This Statement provides for the most significant change in financial reporting in over twenty years and requires implementation starting with fiscal years ending after June 15, 2002. Certain of the significant changes in the Statement including the following:

- The financial statements include:
 - A Management and Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section providing an analysis of the District's overall financial position and results of operations.
 - Financial statements prepared using full accounting for all of the District's activities.
- A change in the fund financial statements to focus on major funds.

These and other changes are reflected in the accompanying financial statements (including notes to financial statements). The District implemented the general provisions of the Statement in the year 2004.

Reporting Entity

The District, for financial purposes, includes all the funds relevant to the operations of the Fire Protection District No. 2 of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, Louisiana. The District is also required to include in its financial statements those separately administered organizations (component units) with which the District has significant operational or financial relationships. The criteria for including organizations as component units within the District's reporting entity include -

- whether the organization is legally separate and whether the District holds the corporate powers,
- whether the District appoints a majority of the organization's board and is able to impose its will, and
- the ability of the organization to impose a financial benefit or burden on the District.

Based on the foregoing criteria, the District has no component units.

Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The basic financial statements include both government-wide (based on the District as a whole) and fund financial statements. The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. For the most part, the effect of inter-fund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. The previous reporting model emphasized fund types (the total of all funds of a particular type), in the new reporting model as defined by GASB Statement No. 34 the focus is either the District as a whole or major individual funds (within the fund financial statements).

The government-wide statements of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a functional category (Public Safety, etc.) or activity are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with specific function or activity. Program revenues include [1] charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or activity, [2] grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational requirements of a particular function or activity and [3] grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the capital requirements of a particular function or activity. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

The net cost (by function or business-type activity) is normally covered by general revenue (property, sales, franchise taxes, intergovernmental revenues, interest income, etc.).

Separate fund based financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. The major governmental funds are the general fund and capital projects fund. GASB Statement No. 34 sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses of either fund category for the governmental and enterprise combined) for the determination of major funds. The nonmajor funds are combined in a column in the fund financial statements. The nonmajor funds are detailed in the combining section of the statements.

The government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the District as an entity and the change in aggregate financial position resulting from the activities of the fiscal period. The focus of the fund financial statements is on the major individual funds of the governmental and business-type categories, as well as the fiduciary funds, (by category) and the component units. Each presentation provides valuable information that can be analyzed and compared to enhance the usefulness of the information.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements have been met.

Government fund level financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenue to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Grant revenues availability period is generally considered to be one year. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when the liability has matured and payment is due.

Ad valorem tax revenues in the General Fund are recognized under the susceptible to accrual concept. Miscellaneous revenues are recorded as revenues when received in cash as the resulting receivable is immaterial. Investment earnings are recorded as earned since they are measurable and available. In applying the susceptible to accrual

concept to intergovernmental revenues, the legal and contractual requirements of the individual programs are used as guidance. There are, however, essentially two types of these revenues. In one, monies must be expended for the specific purpose or project before any amounts will be paid to the District; therefore, revenues are recognized based upon the expenditures recorded. In the other, monies are virtually unrestricted as to purpose of expenditure and are usually revocable only for failure to comply with prescribed compliance requirements. These resources are reflected as revenues at the time of receipt or earlier if the susceptible to accrual criteria are met.

The following major fund is used by the District in its governmental funds:

 General Fund accounts for the District's primary public safety service and is the primary operating unit of the District.

Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

GASB Statement No. 34 eliminates the presentation of Account Groups, but provides for these records to be maintained and incorporates the information into the Governmental Activities column in the government-wide Statement of Net Assets.

Assets, Liabilities, and Equity

Cash and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents include demand deposits. Investments include certificates of deposit maturing September 11, 2008, with an annual percentage yield of 5.15%.

Under state law, the District may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, money market accounts, or time deposits with a bank organized under Louisiana law, or of any other state of the United States, or under the laws of the United States.

State statutes authorize the District to invest in United States bonds, treasury notes and bills, or certificates or time deposits of state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having principal offices in Louisiana. In addition, local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in the Louisiana Asset Management Pool, Inc. (LAMP), a non-profit corporation formed by an initiative of the State Treasurer and organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, which operates a local government investment pool. These are classified as investments if their original maturities exceed 90 days; however, if the original maturities are 90 days or less, they are classified as cash equivalents. Investments are stated at cost.

Cash deposits are reported at carrying amount which reasonably estimates fair value.

Receivables

Receivables consist of all revenues earned at year-end and not yet received.

Inventories

Inventories for supplies are immaterial and are recorded as expenses when purchased.

Capital Assets, Depreciation, and Amortization

The District's property and equipment with useful lives of more than one year are stated at historical cost and comprehensively reported in the government-wide financial statements. The District generally capitalizes assets with cost of \$500 or more as purchase and construction outlays occur. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the asset value or materially extend useful lives are not capitalized. Uniforms and protective gear which are susceptible to excessive wear and tear and fire code regulations are expense when incurred.

When capital assets are disposed, the cost and applicable accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective accounts, and the resulting gain or loss is recorded in operations.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives, in years, for depreciable assets as follows:

Building	40 Years
Vehicles	15 Years
Firefighting equipment and tools	10 Years
Radios and paging equipment	10 Years
Fire hydrants and water supply lines	25 Years
Furniture, fixtures, and office equipment	5 & 12 Years

Property Taxes

All taxable property located within the State of Louisiana is subject by law to taxation on the basis of its assessed valuation. The assessed value is determined by the Parish Assessor, except for public utility property which is assessed by the Louisiana Tax Commission.

The 1974 Louisiana Constitution provided that, beginning in 1978, all land and residential property were to be assessed at 10% of fair market value; agricultural, horticultural, marsh lands, timber lands and certain historic buildings are to be assessed at 10% of "use" value; and all other property is to be assessed at 15% of fair market value. Fair market values are determined by the elected assessor of the parish and are subject to review and final certification by the Louisiana Tax District. The assessor is required to re-appraise all property very four years.

The Sheriff of Pointe Coupee Parish, as provided by State Law, is the official tax collector of general property taxes levied by the Parish. By agreement, the Sheriff receives a commission of approximately 4.28%.

The millage rates are adopted in late October. The taxes are levied and notices are mailed out in mid November of the year. All taxes are due by December 31 of the year and are delinquent on January 1 of the next year, which is also the lien date.

State Law requires the Sheriff to collect property taxes in the calendar year in which the assessment is made. If taxes are not paid by the due date of December 31, the taxes bear interest at one and one-fourth percent (1.25%) per month until the taxes are paid. After notice is given to the delinquent taxpayers, the Sheriff is required by the Constitution of the State of Louisiana to self the least quantity of property necessary to settle the taxes and interest owed.

Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied and become due. The majority of the year's taxes are usually collected in November and December of the year. Any amounts not collected at December 31 are shown as accounts receivable.

For the year ended December 31, 2008, taxes of \$87,762.45 were levied on property with assessed valuations totaling \$22,343,958 at the rate of 4.37 mills for the purpose of maintaining and operating the District's fire protection facilities, for purchasing fire trucks and other fire fighting equipment and paying the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes, including charges for fire hydrant rentals and service and for the purpose of paying the cost of acquiring, improving, or constructing fire protection facilities of the Fire Protection District, constituting works of public improvement, title to which shall be in the public.

Fund Equity Classifications

Equity is classified as net assets and displayed in three components:

1. Invested in capital assets, net of related debt – Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

2. Unrestricted net assets – All other net assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets, net of related debt."

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 3 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

Governmental revenue and expenditures accounted for in budgetary funds are controlled by a formal integrated budgetary accounting system in accordance with various legal requirements, which govern the District's operations.

The budget has been adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles - modified accrual basis. Budgetary comparisons presented in this report are on this budgetary basis. Unencumbered appropriations for annually budgeted funds lapse at fiscal year end.

The District has adopted annual long-range budgets until the year 2009 (end of the current millage authorization by voters) that is adjusted after each year and amended for proposed capital asset acquisitions.

The appropriated budget is prepared on a detailed line item basis. Revenues are budgeted by source and expenditures are budgeted by function. Budget revisions at this level are subject to final review by the Board. The legal level of control is by function within the General Fund. Expenditures may not exceed appropriations at this level. Revisions to the budget were made throughout the year.

NOTE 4 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

At December 31, 2008, the status of deposited funds and collateralized balances are as follows:

Demand deposits	\$:	218,902
Certificates of deposit	:	263,876
Secured by federal deposit insurance	;	350,000
Secured by pledged securities		132,778
Unsecured/uncollateralized	\$	0

Cash and investments are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These pledged securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank in the form of safekeeping receipts held by the state treasurer.

NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in general fixed assets follows:

	1-1-2008	Increases	Decreases	12-31-2008
Capital Assets not being depreciated:	·			
Land	\$ 20,675		<u> </u>	\$ 20,675
Other capital assets:				
Building*	31,178	101,615		132,793
Vehicles	705,393	52,422	(21,000)	736,815
Fire fighting equipment and tools	176,893			176,893
Radics and paging equipment	62,518		(38.177)	24,341
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment	4,927			4,927
Fire hydrants and water supply lines	4,860			4,860
Total other capital assets at historical cost	985,769	154,037	(59,177)	1,080,629
Less: Accumulated depreciation for -				
Buildings	(15,644)	(4,857)		(20,501)
Vehicles	(226,572)	(39,962)	19,122	(247,412)
Fire fighting equipment and tools	(95,628)	(13,531)		(109,159)
Radios and paging equipment	(51,720)	(1,677)	38,177	(15,220)
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment	(3,606)	(660)		(4,266)
Fire hydrants and water supply lines	(3,215)	(194)		(3,409)
Total accumulated depreciation	(396,385)	(60,881)	57.299	(399,967)
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 610,059	\$ 93,156	\$ (1,878)	\$ 701,337

NOTE 6 - CAPITAL LEASE

On July 1, 2003, the District entered into a Governmental Lease Purchase Agreement with Regions Financial Corporation to acquire a rescue unit. Total cost of the rescue unit was \$125,165 of which the District paid \$25,200 and signed a lease agreement in the amount of \$99,965 at a rate of 4.0%. The lease was paid off due on September 8, 2008.

On June 18, 2007, the District entered into a Governmental Lease Purchase Agreement with Regions Financial Corporation to acquire a commercial pumper. Total cost of the commercial pumper was \$242,449 and signed a lease agreement at a rate of 5.15%. The lease is to be paid in 84 monthly payments of \$3,440.66 with final payment due on June 18, 2014.

The future annual lease payments are as follows:

Years	Principal		Interest		Total		
2009	\$	31,702	\$	9,586	\$	41,288	
2010		33,408		7,880		41,288	
2011		35,206		6,082		41,288	
2012		37,101		4,187		41,288	
2013		39,098		2,190		41,288	
2014		20,332		313		20,645	
	\$	196,847	\$	30,238	\$	227,085	

NOTE 7 - RISK RETENTION

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; employee medical insurance; and natural disasters. The District carries commercial insurance for risks of loss or damage to property, general liability, and medical insurance. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage in 2008 from coverage in the prior year. Settled claims has not exceeded this commercial coverage in the past three fiscal years.

NOTE 8 - LITIGATION AND CLAIMS

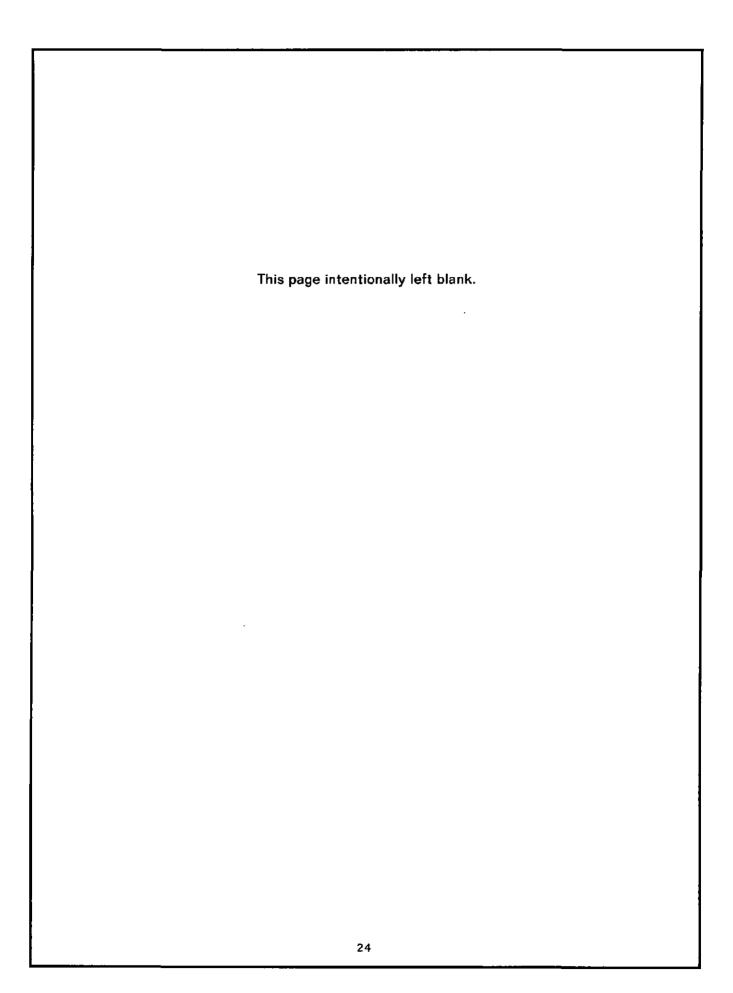
There were no judgments, claims or similar contingencies pending against the District at December 31, 2008.

NOTE 9 - COMPENSATION PAID TO BOARD MEMBERS

In compliance with House Concurrent Resolution No. 54 of the 1979 Session of the Louisiana Legislature, compensation paid to board members is as follows:

	\$ 0
Mark Ramagos	 0
Michael Neal	0
Lyndon Leonards	0
Martin Frey	0
Eugene Serio	\$ 0

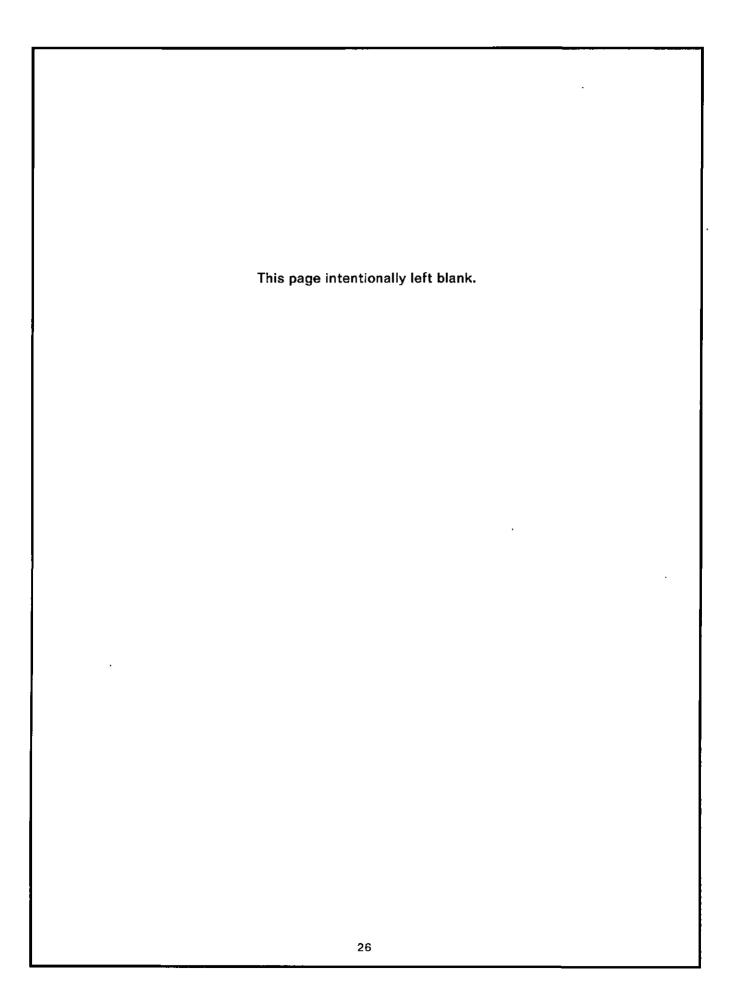
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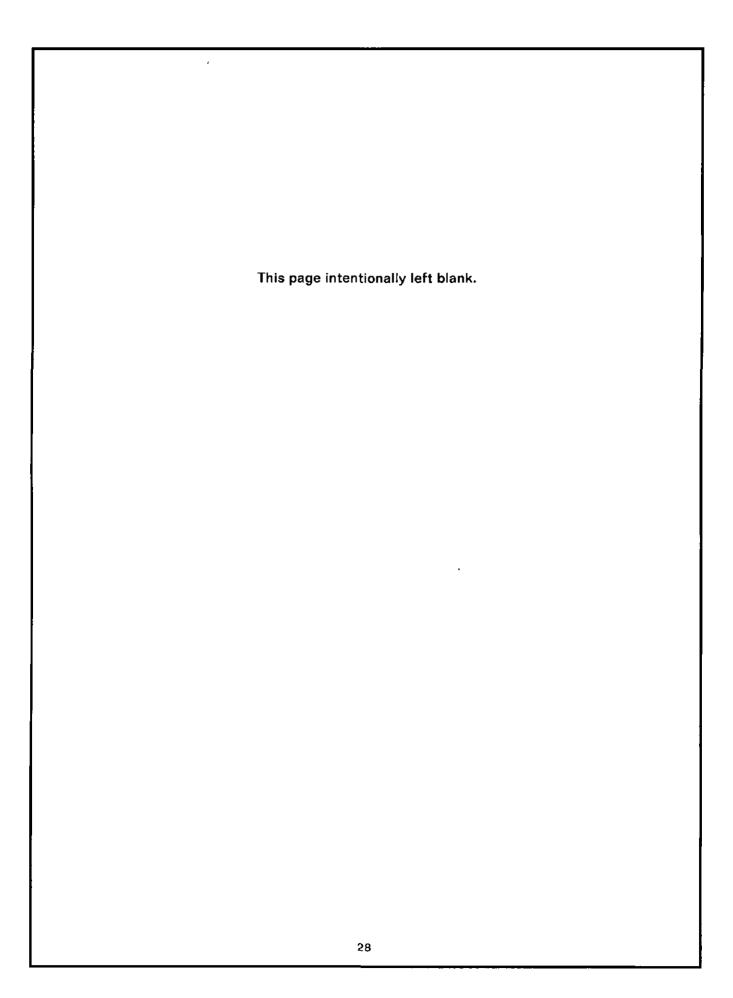
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2 OF THE PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE, LOUISIANA REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND

For the Year Ended December 31, 2008

	Budgeted Amounts				Variance with Final Budget Positive		
	Orig	jinal	 Final		Actual	(N	legative)
Revenues				•			
Taxes -							
Ad valorem	\$	87,000	\$ 84,000	\$	87,530	\$	3,530
Sales		160,000	170,000		171,883		1,883
Intergovernmental revenues -							_
State fire insurance rebate		6,500	6,235		6,235		0
State revenue sharing		1,900	2,000		1,984		(16)
Miscellaneous revenues -							
Interest earned		13,000	6,500		13,015		6,515
Other					10,300		10,300
Total Revenues		268,400	 268,735		290,947		22,212
Expenditures							
Current operations -							
Accounting			5,750		5,750		0
Professional fees		7,000	4,000		3,750		250
Tax collector fees		3,800	3,800		3,745		55
Election expense							0
Vehicle maintenance		5,000	4,200		3,896		304
Firefighting equipment maintenance		5,000	5,000		2,301		2,699
Radios and pagers maintenance		1,000	1,000		1,036		(36)
Building maintenance		1,000	1,500		1,192		308
Supplies and protective gear		5,000	5,000		3,389		1,611
Utilities		2,400	3,500		4,127		(627)
Telephone		2,000	2,000		1,275		725
Insurance		19,000	19,000		19,089		(89)
Training and fire prevention		1,000	1,000				1,000
Miscellaneous		5,000	7,795		4,895		2,900
Capital outlays Debt service -			156,459		154,037		2,422
Principal retirement		42.800	43,675		42,801		874
Interest expense		11,375	11,375		12,254		(879)
Total Expenditures		111,375	 275,054		263,537		11,517
Excess of Revenues (Expenditures)		157,025	(6,319)		27,410		33,729
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year		554,869	 554,869		554,869		0
FUND BALANCES, END OF YEAR	\$	711,894	\$ 548,550	\$	582,279	\$	33,729



Other Supplementary Information
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FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2 OF THE PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE MORGANZA, LOUISIANA TAXABLE PROPERTY VALUATIONS SINCE INCEPTION (UNAUDITED)

Year_	Mills Levied	Assessed Value		Homestead Exemption	Tax to be Paid by Owner	 Tax to be Paid by State	 Total Tax
1982	3.00	\$ 9,844,49	3 \$	1,572,051	\$ 24,818	\$ 4,716	\$ 29,534
1983	3.00	11,546,00	1	1,568,652	29,932	4,706	34,638
1984	3.00	9,048,97	4	1,600,534	22,346	4,802	27,147
1985	3.00	12,170,90	2	1,608,671	31,687	4,826	36,513
1986	4.01	9,524,38	7	1,626,432	31,671	6,523	38,194
1987	4.01	8,599,80	2	1,634,263	27,932	6,554	34,487
1988	4.01	8,780,79	3	1,504,641	29,177	6,034	35,212
1989	4.01	, 8,954,81	7	1,507,232	29,865	6,045	35,910
1990	4.01	7,964,44	1	1,487,812	25,971	8,967	31,938
1991	4.01	8,699,62	2	1,478,362	28,957	5,929	34,886
1992	3.56	9,730,75	5	1,508,185	29,272	5,369	34,642
1993	3.43	10,217,57	5	1,476,375	29,983	5,064	35,047
1994	3.43	10,041,02	2	1,510,806	29,259	5,182	34,442
1995	3.43	9,689,74	7	1,552,866	27,910	5,327	33,237
1996	3.33	10,109,49)	1,666,851	28,115	5,551	33,666
1997	3.46	10,007,48	5	1,703,636	28,732	5,895	34,626
1998	3.69	9,483,90	1	1,724,425	28,633	6,364	34,997
1999	3.69	9,705,50	1	1,724,360	29,451	6,363	35,815
2000	4.82	10,201,10	5	1,819,110	40,402	8,768	49,170
2001	4.82	9,812,47		1,888,340	38,195	9,102	47,297
2002	4.82	9,664,54	7	1,930,545	37,278	9,306	46,584
2003	4.82	11,840,20	2	1,912,140	47,854	9,217	57,070
2004	5.03	13,942,69	5	2,038,490	59,878	10,254	70,133
2005	5.12	12,373,84	ō	2,045,660	63,354	10,474	73,827
2006	5.12	15,654,76	ì	2,080,930	80,152	10,654	90,807
2007	5.12	17,092,41	5	2,144,110	87,513	10,978	98,491
2008	4.37	20,082,83	3	2,261,120	87,762	9,881	97,644

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OTHER REPORTS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

The following pages contain a report on compliance with laws and regulations and on internal control over financial reporting as required by Government Auditing Standards, Issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. This report is based solely on the audit of the financial statements and includes, where appropriate, any reportable conditions and/or material misstatements in internal control or compliance matters that would be material to the presented financial statements.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Commissioners
Fire Protection District No. 2 of the
Parish of Pointe Coupee
Morganza, Louisiana

I have audited the basic financial statements of the FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2 OF THE PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE, LOUISIANA (the "District"), a component unit of the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2008, and have issued my report thereon dated May 18, 2009. I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit, I considered the District's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

My consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that I consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

This report is intended for the information of management, the Police Jury of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, New Roads, Louisiana (oversight entity), and the Legislative Auditor for the State of Louisiana. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited. George F. Delaune, CPA May 18, 2009

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FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2 OF THE PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE, LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

A. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

- 1. The auditor's report expresses an unqualified opinion on the basic financial statements of Fire Protection District of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, Louisiana.
- 2. No deficiencies were disclosed during the audit of the basic financial statements.
- No instances of noncompliance or other matters were disclosed during the audit of the basic financial statements.
- 4. The District received no federal awards during the year.
- B. FINDINGS--FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT

NONE

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2 OF THE PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE, LOUISIANA RESOLUTION OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

There were no prior years audit findings.	

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